



# Mayor Mark Mallory

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## Mayor Mallory Highlights Historic First 100 Days in Office

Cincinnati – Today Mayor Mark Mallory highlights his 100<sup>th</sup> day in office and already has list of accomplishments to highlight actions that are moving the city in a new direction. In his short time in office, Mayor Mallory has made strides toward improving public safety, creating regional partnerships, creating greater access to government, empowering communities, building a more efficient government and building Cincinnati's national profile.

"I'm very proud of what we have been able to accomplish so far," said Mayor Mallory. "These things have been done with the help of others including my team on Council, the Administration and in partnership with citizen stakeholders. We still have a lot to do but it is exciting to see how much we have already achieved by working together."

Included in Mayor Mallory's list accomplishments are a number of historic efforts:

- Convened the first-ever meeting between the Mayor and Cincinnati's Community Council Presidents. More than 30 community leaders came together to discuss neighborhood issues and how they could work together with the Mayor to improve their communities.
- For the first time in over ten years, Mayor Mallory traveled to Washington DC to meet with the Congressional Delegation to discuss the city's federal budget priorities.
- Conducted unprecedented roundtable meetings with regional Mayors to work on issues of regional interest.
- Convened a group meeting between the Mayor, City Department Heads, and managers. The discussion focused on team building, empowering employees and the vision for a new Cincinnati.
- Conducted a series of one-on-one meetings with all City Department Heads in an effort to discuss priorities, initiatives, and their ideas to create a better work environment.

Mayor Mallory began his term by fulfilling his campaign promise to clean up City Hall by revising the rules of city council restore decorum and professionalism to the meetings of council. He also opened up city hall to the public by unlocking the door to the Mayor's Office and removing the metal detectors while maintaining security. Part of his Open Door Policy has been the Mayor's Night In initiative, which gives citizens direct access to speak with him about concerns and ideas. He has held three Mayor's Night In sessions and has met with over 100 citizens.

A testament to the Mayor Mallory's consensus-building skills is the work he has done to repair the traditionally strained relations Cincinnati has had with the Police Department and the Hamilton County Commissioners.

"The key to achieving success is opening the lines of communication and building strong

relationships,” Mayor Mallory said. “Working together, we can overcome any issue and make Cincinnati one of the best and most exciting cities in the country.”

In January, Mayor Mallory brought together leaders from across the city to launch his public safety initiative, which focused on addressing crime through collaboration. The initiative called on citizens to come forward to report any information that they have about crimes and for the media to partner with the city to catch targeted criminals by publicizing their profile. This call for collaboration has led to a dramatic increase in calls to CrimeStoppers and a corresponding increase in arrests from those calls.

On the campaign trail, Mallory stressed the importance of Cincinnati being a regional leader and building the relationship the City has with the County, Northern Kentucky and other tri-state governments. One of his first actions as Mayor was to reach across the river and meet with Northern Kentucky leaders and begin face-to-face conversations with other area Mayors to discuss how to tackle issues that impact the region.

“We cannot allow jurisdictional boundaries divide us,” said Mallory. “It is more important now, than ever before, as major projects are being brought on line that will have serious impacts on the entire region.”

Earlier this week, Mayor Mallory announced that he will give the 2006 State of the City Address to the citizens of Cincinnati on Thursday, March 16 at 5:30 pm at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center.

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